Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original)   A method for populating a contact list on a portable device, the method comprising:

extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device; and

entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

2. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein extracting contact information includes monitoring incoming messages and retrieving contact information from incoming messages.

3. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein contact information includes a simple mail transfer protocol (SMTP) email address.

4. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein extracting contact information includes scanning a message database and retrieving contact information from messages contained in the database.

5. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 4, wherein ~~the scanning occurs since a certain time~~ only messages sent or received before a preselected time, after a preselected time or during a preselected time period are scanned.

6. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 5, wherein ~~the certain time is the time of the last scanning~~ only messages sent or received after a time of a last scan are scanned.

7. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device

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includes providing a graphical user interface (GUI) with contact information configured to receive a selection from a user of the portable device.

8. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device includes automatically entering in the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.

9. (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include or exclude from the contact list contact information from emails received from certain domains.

10. (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include or exclude from the contact list contact information from retrieved addresses from certain domains.

11. (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include in the contact list only email sender information.

12. (Previously Presented)   In a portable device, a user interface configured to facilitate the populating of a contact list, the user interface comprising:

means for extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device;

means for presenting the extracted contact information on the portable device;

means for receiving a number of selections of contacts to be stored in the contact list; and

means for entering the selected contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

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13. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for presenting extracted contact information on the portable device includes means for providing a checklist of extracted contact information.

14. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for presenting the extracted contact information on the portable device includes a display on a wireless application protocol (WAP) phone.

15. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for entering the selected contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device includes means for automatically entering in the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.

16. (Original) A processing system comprising:

a central processing unit (CPU); and

a storage device coupled to a processor and having stored there information for configuring the CPU to:

extract information from a number of messages stored in memory in the portable device; and

enter contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

17. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to monitor incoming messages and retrieve contact information from incoming messages.

18. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to scan a message database and retrieve contact information from messages contained in the database.

19. (Previously Presented)   The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to provide a graphical user interface (GUI) with contact information configured to receive a selection from a user of the portable device.

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20. (Previously Presented)   The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to automatically enter into the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.

21. (Original) A system for populating a contact list on a portable device, the system comprising:

means for extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device; and

means for entering the extracted information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

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